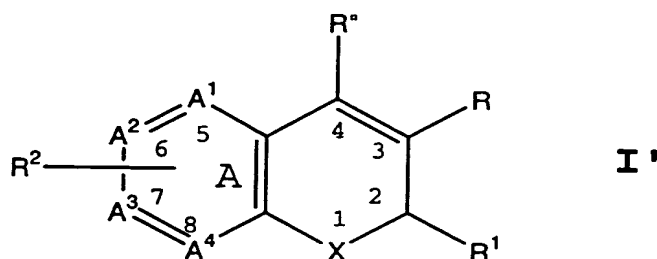


What is claimed is:

1. A compound of Formula I'



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wherein X is selected from O, S, CR<sup>c</sup>R<sup>b</sup> and NR<sup>a</sup>;  
wherein R<sup>a</sup> is selected from hydrido, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl,  
(optionally substituted phenyl)-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, acyl  
and carboxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl;

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wherein each of R<sup>b</sup> and R<sup>c</sup> is independently selected  
from hydrido, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-  
C<sub>3</sub>-perfluoroalkyl, chloro, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
alkoxy, nitro, cyano and cyano-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl;

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wherein R is selected from carboxyl, aminocarbonyl,  
C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonylaminocarbonyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
alkoxycarbonyl;

wherein R<sup>o</sup> is selected from hydrido, phenyl, thienyl  
and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl;

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wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-perfluoroalkyl,  
chloro, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, nitro,  
cyano and cyano-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl;

wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently

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selected from hydrido, halo, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, halo-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, aryl-  
C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, aryl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, aryl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, methylenedioxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfinyl, aryloxy,

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arylthio, arylsulfinyl, heteroaryloxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
alkoxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy,  
heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
haloalkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkylsulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-

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haloalkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-(haloalkyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-hydroxyalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyimino-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, arylamino, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, heteroaryl-amino, heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, nitro, cyano, amino, aminosulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylaminosulfonyl, arylaminosulfonyl, heteroarylaminosulfonyl, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylaminosulfonyl, heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylaminosulfonyl, heterocyclylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonyl, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted aryl, optionally substituted heteroaryl, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl, heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl, heteroarylcarbonyl, arylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxycarbonyl, formyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkylcarbonyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl; and wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are independently selected from carbon and nitrogen with the proviso that at least two of A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a radical selected from naphthyl, quinolyl, isoquinolyl, quinolizinyll, quinoxalinyll and dibenzofuryll; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

2. A compound of Claim 1, wherein X is selected from O, S, CR<sup>a</sup>R<sup>b</sup> and NR<sup>a</sup>; wherein R<sup>a</sup> is selected from hydrido, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, (optionally substituted phenyl)-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, acyl and carboxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl; wherein each of R<sup>b</sup> and R<sup>b</sup> is independently selected from hydrido, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-perfluoroalkyl, chloro, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, nitro, cyano and cyano-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl; wherein R is selected from carboxyl, aminocarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonylaminocarbonyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxycarbonyl; wherein R<sup>a</sup> is selected from hydrido, phenyl, thienyl and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-

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perfluoroalkyl, chloro, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, nitro, cyano and cyano-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently selected from hydrido, halo, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, halo-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, aryl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, aryl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, methylenedioxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfinyl, aryloxy, arylthio, arylsulfinyl, heteroaryloxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy, heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkylsulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-(haloalkyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-hydroxyalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-hydroxyalkyl, hydroxyimino-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, arylamino, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, heteroarylamino, heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, nitro, cyano, amino, aminosulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylaminosulfonyl, arylaminosulfonyl, heteroarylaminosulfonyl, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylaminosulfonyl, heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylaminosulfonyl, heterocyclylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonyl, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted aryl, optionally substituted heteroaryl, aryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl, heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl, heteroarylcarbonyl, arylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxycarbonyl, formyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkylcarbonyl and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl; and wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are independently selected from carbon and nitrogen with the proviso that at least three of A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a naphthyl or quinolyl radical; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

3. A compound of Claim 2 wherein X is selected from O, S and NR<sup>a</sup>; wherein R<sup>a</sup> is selected from hydrido, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl and (optionally substituted phenyl)methyl; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R<sup>b</sup> is selected from hydrido and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is

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selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-perfluoroalkyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently selected from hydrido, halo, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, halo-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, phenyl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkoxy, methylenedioxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkoxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkylsulfinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio, phenylsulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-haloalkyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-hydroxyalkyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyloxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-haloalkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-haloalkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-hydroxyalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkoxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, hydroxyimino-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, nitro, cyano, amino, aminosulfonyl, N-alkylaminosulfonyl, N-arylaminosulfonyl, N-heteroarylaminosulfonyl, N-(phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)aminosulfonyl, N-(heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)aminosulfonyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkylsulfonyl, 5- to 8-membered heterocyclylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted 5- to 9-membered heteroaryl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl, phenylcarbonyl, 4-chlorophenylcarbonyl, 4-hydroxyphenylcarbonyl, 4-trifluoromethylphenylcarbonyl, 4-methoxyphenylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, formyl, and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are independently selected from carbon and nitrogen with the proviso that at least three of A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a naphthyl, benzofurylphenyl, or quinolyl radical; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

4. A compound of Claim 3 wherein X is selected from O, S and NR<sup>a</sup>; wherein R<sup>a</sup> is selected from hydrido, methyl, ethyl, (4-trifluoromethyl)benzyl, (4-chloromethyl)benzyl, (4-methoxy)benzyl, and (4-cyano)benzyl, (4-nitro)benzyl; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R<sup>b</sup> is selected from hydrido and ethenyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from trifluoromethyl

- and pentafluoroethyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently selected from hydrido, chloro, bromo, fluoro, iodo, methyl, tert-butyl, ethenyl, ethynyl, 5-chloro-1-pentynyl, 1-pentynyl, 3,3-dimethyl-1-butynyl, benzyl, phenylethyl, phenylethynyl, 4-chlorophenyl-ethynyl, 4-methoxyphenyl-ethynyl, phenylethenyl, methoxy, methylthio, methylsulfinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio, phenylsulfinyl, methylenedioxy, benzyloxymethyl, trifluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, trifluoromethoxy, trifluoromethylthio, hydroxymethyl, hydroxy-trifluoroethyl, methoxymethyl, hydroxyiminomethyl, N-methylamino, nitro, cyano, amino, aminosulfonyl, N-methylaminosulfonyl, N-phenylaminosulfonyl, N-furylaminosulfonyl, N-(benzyl)aminosulfonyl, N-(furylmethyl)aminosulfonyl, benzylsulfonyl, phenylethylaminosulfonyl, furylsulfonyl, methylsulfonyl, phenyl, phenyl substituted with one or more radicals selected from chloro, fluoro, bromo, methoxy, methylthio and methylsulfonyl, benzimidazolyl, thienyl, thienyl substituted with chloro, furyl, furyl substituted with chloro, benzylcarbonyl, optionally substituted phenylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, formyl and methylcarbonyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are independently selected from carbon and nitrogen with the proviso that at least three of A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a naphthyl, or quinolyl radical; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

5. A compound of Claim 4 selected from compounds, and their isomers and pharmaceutically-acceptable salts, of the group consisting of 6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

- 7-ethyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 2,7-bis(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7-bromo-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 6-chloro-7-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-(1-methylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 6-chloro-8-(1-methylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-ethoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-bromo-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 8-bromo-6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-trifluoromethoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 30 8-fluoro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5,7-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7,8-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 35 7-isopropoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 8-phenyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7,8-dimethyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 6,8-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7-(1-methylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 7-phenyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-7-ethyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 8-ethyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-ethyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-7-phenyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 6,7-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 6,8-dibromo-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-dimethoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-nitro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 30 6-amino-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- ethyl 6-amino-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylate;
- 35 6-chloro-8-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-chloro-6-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 8-chloro-6-methoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6,8-difluoro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
5 6-bromo-8-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
8-bromo-6-fluoro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
8-bromo-6-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
10 8-bromo-5-fluoro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-8-fluoro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
15 6-bromo-8-methoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
7-(N,N-diethylamino)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-[[ (phenylmethyl) amino] sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
20 6-[(dimethylamino) sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-aminosulfonyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
25 6-(methylamino) sulfonyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-[(4-morpholino) sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-[(1,1-dimethylethyl) aminosulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
30 6-[(2-methylpropyl) aminosulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-methylsulfonyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
35 8-chloro-6-[[ (phenylmethyl) amino] sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 6-N,N-diethylaminosulfonyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-phenylacetyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 6-(2,2-dimethylpropylcarbonyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-dichloro-7-methoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 6-[[ (2-furanylmethyl) amino] sulfonyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-[(phenylmethyl) sulfonyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 6-[[ (phenylethyl) amino] sulfonyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-iodo-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 6-chloro-8-iodo-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-bromo-6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 6-formyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-formyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-bromo-7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 30 5,6-dichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-cyano-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid ;
- 35 6-hydroxymethyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(difluoromethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 2,6-bis(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5,6,7-trichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 6,7,8-trichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(methylthio)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(methylsulfinyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 5,8-dichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(pentafluoroethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 6-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 2-(trifluoromethyl)-6-[(trifluoromethyl)thio]-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-dichloro-7-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 6-chloro-2,7-bis(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5-methoxy-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 6-benzoyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(4-hydroxybenzoyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 30 6-phenoxy-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-chloro-6-(4-chlorophenoxy)-2-trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 35 2-(trifluoromethyl)-6-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 6-(3-chloro-4-methoxyphenoxy)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-  
2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-(4-chlorophenoxy)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
5 8-chloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-6-[4-  
(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]-2H-1-benzopyran-3-  
carboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-8-cyano-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
10 6-chloro-8-[(hydroxyimino)methyl]-2-  
(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic  
acid;  
6-chloro-8-(hydroxymethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
15 8-(1H-benzimidazol-2-yl)-6-chloro-2-  
(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic  
acid;  
7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-(pentafluoroethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
20 6-chloro-8-(methoxymethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-8-(benzyloxymethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
25 6-chloro-8-ethenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-8-ethynyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-8-(2-thienyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
30 6-chloro-8-(2-furanyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-8-(5-chloro-1-pentynyl)-2-  
(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic  
acid;  
35 6-chloro-8-(1-pentynyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-8-(phenylethynyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-  
benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 6-chloro-8-(3,3-dimethyl-1-butynyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 6-chloro-8-[(4-chlorophenyl)ethynyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-[(4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 6-(phenylethynyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-(3-methoxyphenyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 6-chloro-8-[(4-methylthio)phenyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-[(4-methylsulfonyl)phenyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 6-chloro-8-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-bromo-8-fluoro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 6-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 30 8-chloro-6-fluoro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-diiodo-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(5-chloro-2-thienyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 35 6-(2-thienyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 6-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 6-(ethynyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 6-chloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-4-ethenyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-4-phenyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 6-chloro-4-(2-thienyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-hydroxyethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 6-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-dimethyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 6-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,7-dimethyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 30 8-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 35 6-chloro-7-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7-chloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 6,7-dichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
2-(trifluoromethyl)-6-[(trifluoromethyl)thio]-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
5 6,8-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
6,8-dichloro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
10 6,7-difluoro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
6-iodo-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
15 6-bromo-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
1,2-dihydro-6-(trifluoromethoxy)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
6-(trifluoromethyl)-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
20 6-cyano-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-1-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
25 6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-1-[[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl]-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-1-[(4-chlorophenyl)methyl]-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
30 6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-1-[[4-(methoxy)phenyl]methyl]-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-1-[(4-cyanophenyl)methyl]-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
35 6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-1-[(4-nitrophenyl)methyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;  
6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-1-ethyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;

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- 6-chloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-1,2-dihydro[1,8]naphthyridine-3-carboxylic acid;  
 2-trifluoromethyl-2H-naphtho[1,2-b]pyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
 5 2-trifluoromethyl-3H-naphtho[2,1-b]pyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
 2-trifluoromethyl-2H-naphtho[2,3-b]pyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
 5-(hydroxymethyl)-8-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-pyrano[2,3-c]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid;  
 10 6-(trifluoromethyl)-6h-1,3-dioxolo[4,5-g][1]benzopyran-7-carboxylic acid; and  
 3-(trifluoromethyl)-3H-benzofuro[3,2-f][1]benzopyran-2-carboxylic acid.

- 15 6. A compound of Claim 2 wherein X is O; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R' is selected from hydrido and C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-perfluoroalkyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more  
 20 radicals independently selected from hydrido, halo, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, phenyl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, phenyloxy, 5- or 6-membered heteroaryloxy, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy, 5- or 6-membered heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
 25 haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkoxy, N-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)amino, N,N-di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)amino, N-phenylamino, N-(phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)amino, N-heteroarylamino, N-(heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)amino, nitro, amino, aminosulfonyl, N-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)aminosulfonyl, N,N-di-(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-  
 30 alkyl)aminosulfonyl, N-arylaminosulfonyl, N-heteroarylaminosulfonyl, N-(phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)aminosulfonyl, N-(heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)aminosulfonyl, 5- to 8-membered heterocyclylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonyl, optionally  
 35 substituted phenyl, optionally substituted 5- or 6-membered heteroaryl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl, heteroarylcarbonyl, phenylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl,

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- and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are independently selected from carbon and nitrogen with the proviso that at least three of A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or an isomer or
- 5 pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

7. A compound of Claim 6 wherein X is O; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R" is selected from hydrido and ethenyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from
- 10 trifluoromethyl and pentafluoroethyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently selected from hydrido, chloro, bromo, fluoro, iodo, methyl, tert-butyl, ethenyl, ethynyl, 5-chloro-1-pentynyl, 1-pentynyl, 3,3-dimethyl-1-butynyl, benzyl,
- 15 phenylethyl, phenyl-ethynyl, 4-chlorophenyl-ethynyl, 4-methoxyphenyl-ethynyl, phenylethenyl, methoxy, methylthio, methylsulfinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio, phenylsulfinyl, pyridyloxy, thienyloxy, furyloxy, phenylmethoxy, methylenedioxy, benzyloxymethyl,
- 20 trifluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, trifluoromethoxy, trifluoromethylthio, hydroxymethyl, hydroxy-trifluoroethyl, methoxymethyl, hydroxyiminomethyl, N-methylamino, N-phenylamino, N-(benzyl)amino, nitro, cyano, amino,
- 25 aminosulfonyl, N-methylaminosulfonyl, N-phenylaminosulfonyl, N-furylaminosulfonyl, N-(benzyl)aminosulfonyl, N-(furylmethyl)aminosulfonyl, benzylsulfonyl, phenylethylaminosulfonyl, furylsulfonyl, methylsulfonyl, phenyl, phenyl
- 30 substituted with one or more radicals selected from chloro, fluoro, bromo, methoxy, methylthio and methylsulfonyl, benzimidazolyl, thienyl, thienyl substituted with chloro, furyl, furyl substituted with chloro, benzylcarbonyl, furylcarbonyl,
- 35 phenylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, formyl, and methylcarbonyl; and wherein one of the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> is nitrogen and the other three are

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carbon; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

9. A compound of Claim 7 wherein X is O;
- 5 wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R" is selected from hydrido and ethenyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from trifluoromethyl and pentafluoroethyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently selected from
- 10 hydrido, chloro, bromo, fluoro, iodo, methyl, tert-butyl, ethenyl, ethynyl, 5-chloro-1-pentynyl, 1-pentynyl, 3,3-dimethyl-1-butynyl, benzyl, phenylethyl, phenyl-ethynyl, 4-chlorophenyl-ethynyl, 4-methoxyphenyl-ethynyl, phenylethenyl, methoxy, methylthio, methylsulfinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio,
- 15 phenylsulfinyl, pyridyloxy, thienyloxy, furyloxy, phenylmethoxy, methylenedioxy, benzyloxymethyl, trifluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, trifluoromethoxy, trifluoromethylthio, hydroxymethyl, hydroxy-trifluoroethyl,
- 20 methoxymethyl, hydroxyiminomethyl, N-methylamino, N-phenylamino, N-(benzyl)amino, nitro, cyano, amino, aminosulfonyl, N-methylaminosulfonyl, N-phenylaminosulfonyl, N-furylaminosulfonyl, N-(benzyl)aminosulfonyl, N-(furylmethyl)aminosulfonyl,
- 25 benzylsulfonyl, phenylethylaminosulfonyl, furylsulfonyl, methylsulfonyl, phenyl, phenyl substituted with one or more radicals selected from chloro, fluoro, bromo, methoxy, methylthio and methylsulfonyl, benzimidazolyl, thienyl, thienyl
- 30 substituted with chloro, furyl, furyl substituted with chloro, benzylcarbonyl, furylcarbonyl, phenylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, formyl, and methylcarbonyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or an isomer or pharmaceutically
- 35 acceptable salt thereof.

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10. A compound of Claim 9 selected from compounds, and their isomers and pharmaceutically-acceptable salts, of the group consisting of 6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-

5 carboxylic acid;

(S)-6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

6-chloro-7-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

10 6-chloro-7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

(S)-6-chloro-7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

15 6-chloro-8-(1-methylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

20 6-trifluoromethoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

(S)-6-trifluoromethoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

6,7-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

25 6,8-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

(S)-6,8-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

30 6,8-dichloro-7-methoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

(S)-6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

35 6-cyano-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

(S)-6-cyano-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 6-hydroxymethyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(difluoromethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 2,6-bis(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5,6,7-trichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,7,8-trichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 6-(methylthio)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(pentafluoroethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 2-(trifluoromethyl)-6-[(trifluoromethyl)thio]-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-dichloro-7-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-benzoyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 6-(4-chlorobenzoyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(4-hydroxybenzoyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 6-phenoxy-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 2-(trifluoromethyl)-6-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- (S)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-6-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 30 6-(4-methoxyphenoxy)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(3-chloro-4-methoxyphenoxy)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 35 6-(4-chlorophenoxy)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 8-chloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-6-[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenoxy]-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 6-chloro-8-cyano-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-(2-thienyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-(phenylethynyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 6-chloro-8-[(4-chlorophenyl)ethynyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-[(4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 (S)-6-chloro-8-[(4-methoxyphenyl)ethynyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-(phenylethynyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 6-chloro-8-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-phenyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 6-(4-bromophenyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-(4-methoxyphenyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid; and
- 6-(2,2,2-trifluoro-1-hydroxyethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid.
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11. A compound of Claim 2 wherein X is S; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from
- 35 C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-perfluoroalkyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently selected from hydrido, halo, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl, phenyl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, phenyloxy, 5- or

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6-membered heteroaryloxy, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy, 5- or 6-membered heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, N-phenylamino, N-(phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)amino, N-heteroarylamino, N-(heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, nitro, amino, aminosulfonyl, N-alkylaminosulfonyl, N-arylaminosulfonyl, N-heteroarylamino, N-(phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)aminosulfonyl, N-(heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)aminosulfonyl, 5- to 8-membered heterocyclylsulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted 5- or 6-membered heteroaryl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl, heteroarylcarbonyl, phenylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are independently selected from carbon and nitrogen with the proviso that at least three of A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

12. A compound of Claim 11 wherein X is S; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R' is selected from hydrido and ethenyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from trifluoromethyl and pentafluoroethyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently selected from hydrido, chloro, bromo, fluoro, iodo, methyl, tert-butyl, ethenyl, ethynyl, 5-chloro-1-pentynyl, 1-pentynyl, 3,3-dimethyl-1-butynyl, benzyl, phenylethyl, phenyl-ethynyl, 4-chlorophenyl-ethynyl, 4-methoxyphenyl-ethynyl, phenylethenyl, methoxy, methylthio, methylsulfinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio, phenylsulfinyl, pyridyloxy, thienyloxy, furyloxy, phenylmethoxy, methylenedioxy, benzyloxymethyl, trifluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, trifluoromethoxy, trifluoromethylthio, hydroxymethyl, hydroxy-trifluoroethyl, methoxymethyl, hydroxyiminomethyl, N-methylamino, N-phenylamino, N-(benzyl)amino, nitro, cyano, amino, aminosulfonyl, N-methylaminosulfonyl, N-

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phenylaminosulfonyl, N-furylaminosulfonyl, N-(benzyl)aminosulfonyl, N-(furylmethyl)aminosulfonyl, benzylsulfonyl, phenylethylaminosulfonyl, furylsulfonyl, methylsulfonyl, phenyl, phenyl

5 substituted with one or more radicals selected from chloro, fluoro, bromo, methoxy, methylthio and methylsulfonyl, benzimidazolyl, thienyl, thienyl substituted with chloro, furyl, furyl substituted with chloro, benzylcarbonyl, furylcarbonyl,

10 phenylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, formyl, and methylcarbonyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

15 13. A compound of Claim/12 selected from compounds, and their isomers and pharmaceutically-acceptable salts, of the group consisting of

20 6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

6-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

6,8-dimethyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

25 6-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

7-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

30 6,7-dimethyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

8-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

35 6-chloro-7-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

7-chloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 6,7-dichloro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
 2-(trifluoromethyl)-6-[(trifluoromethyl)thio]-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid; and  
 5 6,8-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid.

14. A compound of Claim 2 wherein X is NR<sup>a</sup>; wherein R<sup>a</sup> is selected from hydrido, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, acyl and carboxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-perfluoroalkyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently selected from hydrido, halo, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkynyl,  
 15 phenyl-C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkenyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkoxy, phenyloxy, 5- or 6-membered heteroaryloxy, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy, 5- or 6-membered heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyloxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, N-phenylamino, N-(phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)amino, N-heteroarylamino, N-  
 20 (heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylamino, nitro, amino, aminosulfonyl, N-alkylaminosulfonyl, N-arylaminosulfonyl, N-heteroarylamino, N-(phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)aminosulfonyl, N-(heteroaryl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl)aminosulfonyl, 5- to 8-membered  
 25 heterocyclisulfonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted 5- or 6-membered heteroaryl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl, heteroarylcarbonyl, phenylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, and C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylcarbonyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are independently selected from carbon and nitrogen with the proviso that at least three of A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 35 15. A compound of Claim 14 wherein X is NR<sup>a</sup>; wherein R<sup>a</sup> is selected from hydrido, methyl, ethyl, (4-trifluoromethyl)benzyl, (4-chloromethyl)benzyl, (4-methoxy)benzyl, (4-cyano)benzyl, and (4-

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nitro)benzyl; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R" is selected from hydrido and ethenyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from trifluoromethyl and pentafluoroethyl; wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals independently  
5 selected from hydrido, chloro, bromo, fluoro, iodo, methyl, tert-butyl, ethenyl, ethynyl, 5-chloro-1-pentynyl, 1-pentynyl, 3,3-dimethyl-1-butynyl, benzyl, phenylethyl, phenyl-ethynyl, 4-chlorophenyl-ethynyl, 4-methoxyphenyl-ethynyl, phenylethenyl, methoxy,  
10 methylthio, methylsulfinyl, phenyloxy, phenylthio, phenylsulfinyl, pyridyloxy, thienyloxy, furyloxy, phenylmethoxy, methylenedioxy, benzyloxymethyl, trifluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, trifluoromethoxy, trifluoromethylthio, hydroxymethyl,  
15 hydroxy-trifluoroethyl, methoxymethyl, hydroxyiminomethyl, N-methylamino, N-phenylamino, N-(benzyl)amino, nitro, cyano, amino, aminosulfonyl, N-methylaminosulfonyl, N-phenylaminosulfonyl, N-furylaminosulfonyl, N-(benzyl)aminosulfonyl, N-(furylmethyl)aminosulfonyl, benzylsulfonyl,  
20 phenylethylaminosulfonyl, furylsulfonyl, methylsulfonyl, phenyl, phenyl substituted with one or more radicals selected from chloro, fluoro, bromo, methoxy, methylthio and methylsulfonyl,  
25 benzimidazolyl, thienyl, thienyl substituted with chloro, furyl, furyl substituted with chloro, benzylcarbonyl, furylcarbonyl, phenylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, formyl, and methylcarbonyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or an  
30 isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

16. A compound of Claim/15 selected from compounds, and their isomers and pharmaceutically-acceptable salts, of the group consisting of  
35 6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;



- 6,8-dichloro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 6,7-difluoro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 5 6-iodo-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 6-bromo-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 1,2-dihydro-6-(trifluoromethoxy)-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 10 6-(trifluoromethyl)-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 6-cyano-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 15 6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-1-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-1-[[4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl]methyl]-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 20 6-chloro-1-[(4-chlorophenyl)methyl]-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-1-[[4-(methoxy)phenyl]methyl]-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 25 6-chloro-1-[(4-cyanophenyl)methyl]-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-1-[(4-nitrophenyl)methyl]-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-1-ethyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid; and
- 30 (S)-6-chloro-1,2-dihydro-2-(trifluoromethyl)-3-quinolinecarboxylic acid.

17. A compound of Claim 2 wherein X is selected from O, S and NR<sup>a</sup>; wherein R<sup>a</sup> is selected from hydrido, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, phenyl-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl, acyl and carboxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-alkyl; wherein R is selected from carboxyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>3</sub>-
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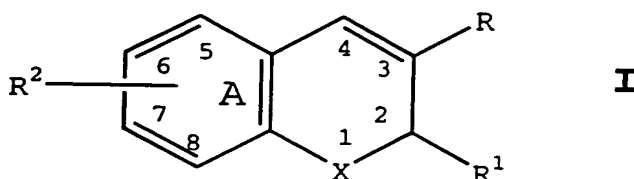
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perfluoroalkyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are independently selected from carbon and nitrogen with the proviso that at least three of A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; and wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A  
5 forms a naphthyl or quinolyl radical; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

18. A compound of Claim 17 wherein X is selected from O, S and NR<sup>a</sup>; wherein R<sup>a</sup> is selected from  
10 hydrido, methyl, ethyl, (4-trifluoromethyl)benzyl, (4-chloromethyl)benzyl, (4-methoxy)benzyl, and (4-cyano)benzyl, (4-nitro)benzyl; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R<sup>b</sup> is selected from hydrido and ethenyl; wherein R<sup>c</sup> is selected from trifluoromethyl and  
15 pentafluoroethyl; wherein the A ring atoms A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are independently selected from carbon and nitrogen with the proviso that at least three of A<sup>1</sup>, A<sup>2</sup>, A<sup>3</sup> and A<sup>4</sup> are carbon; or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a naphthyl, or quinolyl radical; or an  
20 isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

19. A compound of Claim 18 selected from compounds, and their isomers and pharmaceutically-acceptable salts, of the group consisting of  
25 2-trifluoromethyl-2H-naphtho[1,2-b]pyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
2-trifluoromethyl-3H-naphtho[2,1-b]pyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
30 2-trifluoromethyl-2H-naphtho[2,3-b]pyran-3-carboxylic acid;  
5-(hydroxymethyl)-8-methyl-2-(trifluoromethyl)-2H-pyrano[2,3-c]pyridine-3-carboxylic acid;  
6-(trifluoromethyl)-6h-1,3-dioxolo[4,5-  
35 g][1]benzopyran-7-carboxylic acid; and  
3-(trifluoromethyl)-3H-benzofuro[3,2-f][1]benzopyran-2-carboxylic acid.

20. A compound of Formula I



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wherein X is selected from O or S or NR<sup>a</sup>;

wherein R<sup>a</sup> is alkyl;

wherein R is selected from carboxyl, aminocarbonyl, alkylsulfonylaminocarbonyl and alkoxy carbonyl;

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wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from haloalkyl, alkyl, aralkyl, cycloalkyl and aryl optionally substituted with one or more radicals selected from alkylthio, nitro and alkylsulfonyl; and

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wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals selected from hydrido, halo, alkyl, aralkyl, alkoxy, aryloxy, heteroaryloxy, aralkyloxy, heteroaralkyloxy, haloalkyl, haloalkoxy, alkylamino, arylamino, aralkylamino, heteroaryl amino, heteroarylalkyl amino, nitro, amino, aminosulfonyl, alkylaminosulfonyl, arylaminosulfonyl, heteroarylaminosulfonyl, aralkylaminosulfonyl, heteroaralkylaminosulfonyl, heterocyclosulfonyl, alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted aryl, optionally substituted heteroaryl, aralkylcarbonyl, heteroarylcarbonyl, arylcarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, and alkylcarbonyl;

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or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a naphthyl radical;

or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

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21. Compound of Claim 20 wherein X is oxygen or sulfur; wherein R is selected from carboxyl, lower alkyl, lower aralkyl and lower alkoxy carbonyl;

wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from lower haloalkyl, lower cycloalkyl and phenyl; and wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals selected from hydrido, halo, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, lower haloalkyl, lower haloalkoxy, lower alkylamino, nitro, amino, aminosulfonyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl, 5- or 6- membered heteroarylalkylaminosulfonyl, lower aralkylaminosulfonyl, 5- or 6- membered nitrogen containing heterocyclosulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, optionally substituted phenyl, lower aralkylcarbonyl, and lower alkylcarbonyl; or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a naphthyl radical; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

22. Compound of Claim 21 wherein X is oxygen or sulfur; wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is lower haloalkyl; and wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals selected from hydrido, halo, lower alkyl, lower haloalkyl, lower haloalkoxy, lower alkylamino, amino, aminosulfonyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl, 5- or 6- membered heteroarylalkylaminosulfonyl, lower aralkylaminosulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, 6- membered nitrogen containing heterocyclosulfonyl, optionally substituted phenyl, lower aralkylcarbonyl, and lower alkylcarbonyl; or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a naphthyl radical; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

23. Compound of Claim 22 wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from fluoromethyl, chloromethyl, dichloromethyl, trichloromethyl, pentafluoroethyl, heptafluoropropyl, difluoroethyl, difluoropropyl, dichloroethyl, dichloropropyl, difluoromethyl, and trifluoromethyl; and wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals selected from hydrido, chloro, fluoro, bromo, iodo, methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, tert-butyl, butyl, isobutyl, pentyl, hexyl, methoxy, ethoxy, isopropoxy, tertbutoxy, trifluoromethyl,

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- difluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, amino, N,N-dimethylamino, N,N-diethylamino, N-phenylmethylaminosulfonyl, N-phenylethylaminosulfonyl, N-(2-furylmethyl)aminosulfonyl, nitro, N,N-dimethylaminosulfonyl, aminosulfonyl, N-methylaminosulfonyl, N-ethylsulfonyl, 2,2-dimethylethylaminosulfonyl, N,N-dimethylaminosulfonyl, N-(2-methylpropyl)aminosulfonyl, N-morpholinosulfonyl, methylsulfonyl, benzylcarbonyl, 2,2-dimethylpropylcarbonyl, phenylacetyl and phenyl; or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a naphthyl radical; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

24. Compound of Claim 23 wherein R is carboxyl; wherein R<sup>1</sup> is trifluoromethyl or pentafluorethyl; and wherein R<sup>2</sup> is one or more radicals selected from
- hydrido, chloro, fluoro, bromo, iodo, methyl, ethyl, isopropyl, tert-butyl, methoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, N-phenylmethylaminosulfonyl, N-phenylethylaminosulfonyl, N-(2-furylmethyl)aminosulfonyl, N,N-dimethylaminosulfonyl, N-methylaminosulfonyl, N-(2,2-dimethylethyl)aminosulfonyl, dimethylaminosulfonyl, 2-methylpropylaminosulfonyl, N-morpholinosulfonyl, methylsulfonyl, benzylcarbonyl, and phenyl; or wherein R<sup>2</sup> together with ring A forms a naphthyl radical; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

25. A compound of Claim 24 selected from compounds, and their isomers and pharmaceutically-acceptable salts, of the group consisting of
- 6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

- 6-chloro-7-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-(1-methylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 6-chloro-7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-(1-methylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 2-trifluoromethyl-3H-naphthopyran-3-carboxylic acid ;
- 10 7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-bromo-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 6-trifluoromethoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5,7-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 8-phenyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7,8-dimethyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-bis(dimethylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 7-(1-methylethyl)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7-phenyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 30 6-chloro-7-ethyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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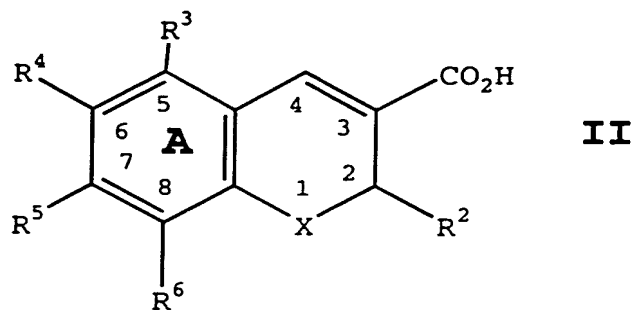
- 6-chloro-8-ethyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-7-phenyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 6,7-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-dichloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 2-trifluoromethyl-3H-naptho[2,1-b]pyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-chloro-8-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-chloro-6-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 8-chloro-6-methoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-bromo-8-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-bromo-6-fluoro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 8-bromo-6-methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-bromo-5-fluoro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 6-chloro-8-fluoro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-bromo-8-methoxy-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-[[ (phenylmethyl) amino] sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 30 6-[(dimethylamino) sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;

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- 6-[(methylamino)sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-[(4-morpholino)sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 5 6-[(1,1-dimethylethyl)aminosulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-[(2-methylpropyl)aminosulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-methylsulfonyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 10 8-chloro-6-[(phenylmethyl)amino]sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-phenylacetyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 15 6,8-dibromo-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 8-chloro-5,6-dimethyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6,8-dichloro-(S)-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 20 6-benzylsulfonyl-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-[[N-(2-furylmethyl)amino]sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 25 6-[[N-(2-phenylethyl)amino]sulfonyl]-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 6-iodo-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid;
- 7-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-pentafluoroethyl-2H-1-benzopyran-3-carboxylic acid; and
- 30 6-chloro-2-trifluoromethyl-2H-1-benzothiopyran-3-carboxylic acid.

26. A compound of Formula II





wherein X is O or S;

wherein R<sup>2</sup> is lower haloalkyl;

5 wherein R<sup>3</sup> is selected from hydrido, and halo;

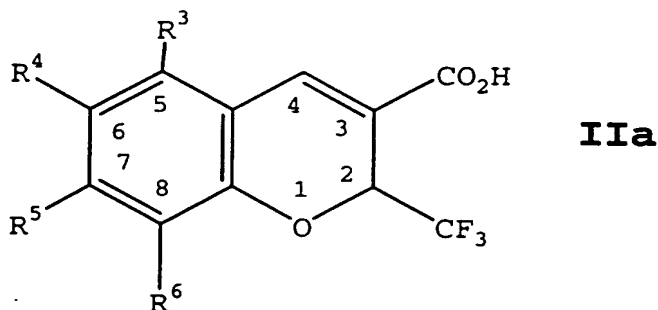
wherein R<sup>4</sup> is selected from hydrido, halo, lower  
alkyl, lower haloalkoxy, lower alkoxy, lower  
aralkylcarbonyl, lower dialkylaminosulfonyl, lower  
alkylaminosulfonyl, lower aralkylaminosulfonyl, lower  
10 heteroaralkylaminosulfonyl, and 5- or 6- membered  
nitrogen-containing heterocyclosulfonyl;

wherein R<sup>5</sup> is selected from hydrido, lower alkyl,  
halo, lower alkoxy, and aryl; and

wherein R<sup>6</sup> is selected from hydrido, halo, lower  
15 alkyl, lower alkoxy, and aryl;

or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt  
thereof.

27. A compound of Formula IIa:

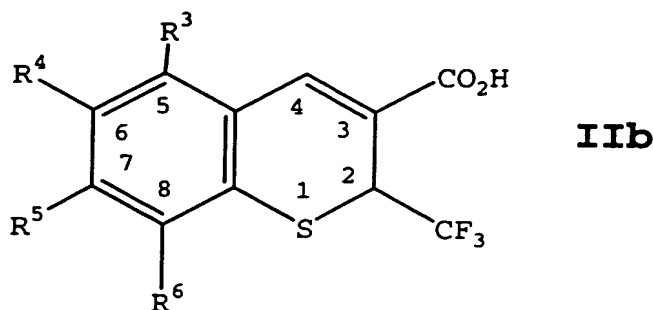


wherein R<sup>3</sup> is selected from hydrido, lower alkyl,  
lower hydroxyalkyl, lower alkoxy and halo;

- wherein R<sup>4</sup> is selected from hydrido, halo, lower alkyl, lower alkylthio, lower haloalkyl, amino, aminosulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkoxyalkyl, lower alkylcarbonyl, formyl, cyano, lower haloalkylthio, substituted or unsubstituted phenylcarbonyl, lower haloalkoxy, lower alkoxy, lower aralkylcarbonyl, lower dialkylaminosulfonyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl, lower aralkylaminosulfonyl, lower heteroaralkylaminosulfonyl, 5- or 6- membered heteroaryl, lower hydrooxyalkyl, optionally substituted phenyl and 5- or 6- membered nitrogen containing heterocyclosulfonyl; wherein R<sup>5</sup> is selected from hydrido, lower alkyl, halo, lower haloalkyl, lower alkoxy, and phenyl; and wherein R<sup>6</sup> is selected from hydrido, halo, cyano, hydroxyiminomethyl, lower hydroxyalkyl, lower alkynyl, phenylalkynyl, lower alkyl, lower alkoxy, formyl and phenyl; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

28. Compound of Claim 27 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is selected from hydrido, and chloro; wherein R<sup>4</sup> is selected from chloro, methyl, tert-butyl, methylthio, trifluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, pentafluoromethyl, trifluoromethylsulfide, trifluoromethoxy, cyano, substituted or unsubstituted phenylcarbonyl, and substituted or unsubstituted phenyl; wherein R<sup>5</sup> is selected from hydrido, methyl, tert-butyl, chloro; and wherein R<sup>6</sup> is selected from hydrido, chloro, thienyl, hydroxyiminomethyl, substituted or unsubstituted phenylethynyl, and substituted or unsubstituted phenyl; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

29. A compound of Formula IIb:



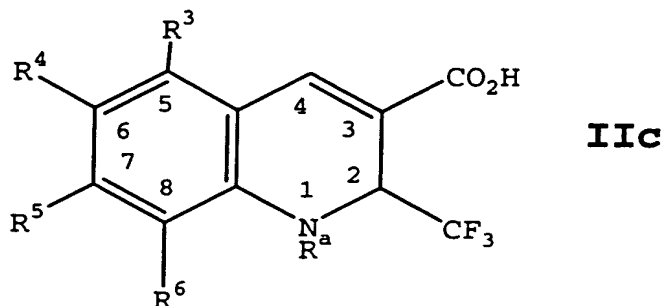
wherein R<sup>3</sup> is selected from hydrido, lower alkyl,  
 lower hydroxyalkyl, lower alkoxy and halo; wherein R<sup>4</sup>  
 5 is selected from hydrido, halo, lower alkyl, lower  
 alkylthio, lower haloalkyl, amino, aminosulfonyl,  
 lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower  
 alkoxyalkyl, lower alkylcarbonyl, formyl, cyano,  
 lower haloalkylthio, substituted or unsubstituted  
 10 phenylcarbonyl, lower haloalkoxy, lower alkoxy, lower  
 aralkylcarbonyl, lower dialkylaminosulfonyl, lower  
 alkylaminosulfonyl, lower aralkylaminosulfonyl, lower  
 heteroaralkylaminosulfonyl, 5- or 6- membered  
 heteroaryl, lower hydroxyalkyl, optionally  
 15 substituted phenyl and 5- or 6- membered nitrogen  
 containing heterocyclosulfonyl; wherein R<sup>5</sup> is selected  
 from hydrido, lower alkyl, halo, lower haloalkyl,  
 lower alkoxy, and phenyl; and wherein R<sup>6</sup> is selected  
 from hydrido, halo, cyano, hydroxyiminomethyl, lower  
 20 hydroxyalkyl, lower alkynyl, phenylalkynyl, lower  
 alkyl, lower alkoxy, formyl and phenyl; or an isomer  
 or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

30. Compound of Claim 29 wherein R<sup>3</sup> is selected  
 25 from hydrido, and chloro; wherein R<sup>4</sup> is selected from  
 chloro, methyl, tert-butyl, methylthio,  
 trifluoromethyl, difluoromethyl, pentafluoromethyl,  
 trifluoromethylsulfide, trifluoromethoxy, cyano,  
 substituted or unsubstituted phenylcarbonyl, and  
 30 substituted or unsubstituted phenyl; wherein R<sup>5</sup> is  
 selected from hydrido, methyl, tert-butyl, chloro;

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- and wherein  $R^6$  is selected from hydrido, chloro, thienyl, hydroxyiminomethyl, substituted or unsubstituted phenylethynyl, and substituted or unsubstituted phenyl; or an isomer or
- 5 pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

31. A compound of Formula IIc:



- 10 wherein  $R^a$  is selected from hydrido and lower aralkyl; wherein  $R^3$  is selected from hydrido, lower alkyl, lower hydroxyalkyl, lower alkoxy and halo; wherein  $R^4$  is selected from hydrido, halo, lower alkyl, lower
- 15 alkylthio, lower haloalkyl, amino, aminosulfonyl, lower alkylsulfonyl, lower alkylsulfinyl, lower alkoxyalkyl, lower alkylcarbonyl, formyl, cyano, lower haloalkylthio, substituted or unsubstituted phenylcarbonyl, lower haloalkoxy, lower alkoxy, lower
- 20 aralkylcarbonyl, lower dialkylaminosulfonyl, lower alkylaminosulfonyl, lower aralkylaminosulfonyl, lower heteroaralkylaminosulfonyl, 5- or 6- membered heteroaryl, lower hydroxyalkyl, optionally substituted phenyl and 5- or 6- membered nitrogen
- 25 containing heterocyclosulfonyl; wherein  $R^5$  is selected from hydrido, lower alkyl, halo, lower haloalkyl, lower alkoxy, and phenyl; and wherein  $R^6$  is selected from hydrido, halo, cyano, hydroxyiminomethyl, lower hydroxyalkyl, lower alkynyl, phenylalkynyl, lower
- 30 alkyl, lower alkoxy, formyl and phenyl;

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or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

32. Compound of Claim 34 wherein R<sup>a</sup> is hydrido;  
5 wherein R<sup>b</sup> is selected from hydrido, and chloro;  
wherein R<sup>c</sup> is selected from chloro, methyl, tert-  
butyl, methylthio, trifluoromethyl, difluoromethyl,  
pentafluoromethyl, trifluoromethylsulfide,  
trifluoromethoxy, cyano, substituted or  
10 unsubstituted phenylcarbonyl, and substituted or  
unsubstituted phenyl; wherein R<sup>d</sup> is selected from  
hydrido, methyl, tert-butyl, chloro; and wherein R<sup>e</sup> is  
selected from hydrido, chloro, thienyl,  
hydroxyiminomethyl, substituted or unsubstituted  
15 phenylethynyl, and substituted or unsubstituted  
phenyl; or an isomer or pharmaceutically acceptable  
salt thereof.

33. A method of treating a cyclooxygenase-2  
20 mediated disorder in a subject, said method  
comprising treating the subject having or susceptible  
to said disorder with a therapeutically-effective  
amount of a compound of Claims 1-31; or a  
pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

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34. The method of Claim 33 wherein the  
cyclooxygenase-2 mediated disorder is inflammation.

35. The method of Claim 33 wherein the  
30 cyclooxygenase-2 mediated disorder is arthritis.

36. The method of Claim 33 wherein the  
cyclooxygenase-2 mediated disorder is pain.

35 37. The method of Claim 33 wherein the  
cyclooxygenase-2 mediated disorder is fever.

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38. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically-effective amount of a compound, said compound selected from a family of compounds of Claims 1-31; or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.
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